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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS : AORG, SEATO

SUBJECT : SEATO: REQUEST FOR US TO NOMINATE CANDIDATE FOR  
POSITION

1. EMBASSY AHS RECEIVED REQUEST FROM SEATO SECGEN TO  
NOMINATE CANDIDATE FOR POSITION OF ASSISTANT TO SECGEN, A  
GRADE III SLOT. AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND HAVE ALSO BEEN  
ASKED TO NOMINATE CANDIDATES FOR JOB.

2. THIS IS POSITION WHICH HAS BEEN HELD BY LT.COL.  
J. L. REYNA (RET.) OF THE PHILLIPPINES SINCE 1965. IT IS  
ONE OF SEATO'S MORE IMPORTANT SLOTS INASMUCH AS INCUMBENT  
HAS EASY ACCESS TO AND IS IN POSITION TO INFLUENCE THE  
SECGEN. (IN THIS REGARD, REYNA UTILIZED POSITON TO THE  
MAXIMUM EXTENT.) REYNA IS SCHEDULED TO GO ON TERMINAL  
LEAVE MAY 24 PRIOR TO EXPIRATION OF HIS PRESENT APPOINTMENT  
SEPTEMBER 12.

3. IN VIEW NATURE OF POSITION, EMBASSY CONSIDERS THAT IT  
WOULD BE IN OUR INTEREST TO HAVE US EMPLOYEE FILL POSITION.  
MOREOVER, AUSTRALIAN OR NEW ZEALAND OFFICER IN THIS  
POSITION WOULD PROVIDE THOSE GOVERNMENTS A READY-MADE  
CHANNEL TO PRESS THEIR ANTI-SEATO VIEWS WHEN DESIRED.

4. WE WOULD RECOMMEND THAT AN FSO-4, PREFERABLY WITH  
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SOUTHEAST ASIAN CAREER BACKGROUND WOULD BE AN APPROPRIATE

CHOICE FOR JOB. POSITION WOULD AFFORD INCUMBENT OVERALL DIRECTIONAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR ALL SEATO ACTIVITIES AND EXPERIENCE WORKING IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION.

5. ALTHOUGH WE ARE NOT AWARE OF PERSONNEL DEMANDS IN DEPARTMENT FOR STAFFING INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION POSITIONS, THE PRESENT US MILADREP, COL. J. F. DERIENZO, USAF, WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR RETIREMENT NOW, HAS CONVEYED TO US INTEREST IN FILLING JOB. COL. DERIENZO POSSESSES SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS FOR POSITION INASMUCH AS HE IS ALREADY FAMILIAR WITH SEATO, HAVING BEEN MILADREP FOR ALMOST THREE YEARS. PRIOR TO THIS ASSIGNMENT, HE WAS STATIONED FOR TWO YEARS IN PHILIPPINES. FURTHERMORE, HE IS WELL KNOWN NOT ONLY TO SEATO STAFF BUT ALSO TO NEGOTIATING BODIES. SECGEN HAS INFORMED DERIENZO THAT HE WOULD BE "DELIGHTED" IF US NOMINATED HIM FOR POST.

6. ACTION REQUESTED: REQUEST ASAP NAME AND CURRICULM VITAE OF CANDIDTATE TO FILL POSITION AND/OR REACTION TO NOMINATION COL. DERIENZO. JOB DESCRIPTION BEING POUCHED EA/RA.

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